

Testimony of Jim Koplik,
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Raised HB 5300: An Act Concerning AAC Notice to the Department of Consumer Protection of
Alcohol-Related Incidents Involving Individuals Under the Age of Twenty-One.

Senator Doyle, Representative Baram, Members of the General Law Committee:

I am Jimmy Koplik, President of Live Nation Connecticut and Upstate New York. Live Nation owns and operates Toyota Presents: The Oakdale Theatre and Comcast Theatre.

The permittees who oversee the sale of alcoholic beverages act responsibly and exercise extreme care to assure service only to persons of legal age.

Additionally, the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection has been most diligent in the administration and enforcement of the Connecticut liquor laws as applied at our venues. I believe that the current statutes and regulations more than adequately protect the public and provide all requisite enforcement authority for the suspension, revocation or refusal of a permit as intended by the purpose of House Bill 5300.

Live Nation is understanding and sensitive to the concerns underlying proposed House Bill 5300 and will continue its effort to assure responsible and lawful consumption of alcohol at Live Nation venues. Thus, I believe the bill is unnecessary and should not be adopted.